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Manager's Newsletter

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Town Council Meeting Highlights – October 5, 2009

- Three employees were awarded for their years of service with the Town of Kitty Hawk
 - Carol Ferry, Office Assistant Fire Department, 5 years
 - Stephanie Gornick, Office Assistant Public Works, 5 years
 - Lavelle Jenkins, Public Works Technician, 10 years
- Council approved Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Inter-Local Agreement with Dare County for Solid Waste Collection Services. This is a renewal of the existing agreement and provides for the following: Twice per week residential collection of solid waste from Labor Day through Memorial Day. On the beach side of the by-pass only a third pick up per week from Memorial Day through Labor Day.
- Council approved a call for public hearing, conditional use permit: Application for a conditional use permit to establish a preschool/day care center in a Beach Commercial (BC-2) zoning district within the existing building at 5118 Lindbergh Avenue.
- Council approved the resolution requesting Dare County to merge the Hazard Mitigation Plan for the Town of Kitty Hawk with the Dare County Hazard Mitigation Plan

Code Enforcement Activities - September 2009

<u>CODE VIOLATIONS</u>		
Notice of Violations Issued		
Civil Citations Issued		
Land Disturbance Activity		
Public Nuisance	2	
Abandon/Junk Vehicles	1	
Right of Way Encroachments		
Lighting Violations		
Site Plan Violations	3	
No Building Permit		
Home Occupations	1	
Signs	5	
Noise Violations		
Flood Ordinance		
TOTALS	12	
<u>CAMA PERMITS</u>		
Minor Permits	1	
Exemption Letters	1	
Beach Push Permits		
CAMA Violations Issued		
TOTALS	2	
<u>BANNER PERMITS</u>		
TOTALS		
<u>OUTDOOR GATHERING PERMITS</u>		
TOTALS	2	
<u>FIRE INSPECTIONS</u>		
Assembly	5	10 Violations
Business	1	0 Violations
Mercantile	3	2 Violations
Educational	3	7 Violations
Residential	1	1 Violation
Industrial		
Manufacturing		
Hood System		
Tent		
Sprinkler Systems		
Re-inspections		
First	6	17 Violations Corrected 1 Violation Not Corrected
Second		
Third		
Sixth		
TOTALS	19	

Planning Board Meeting Summary October 8, 2009

At its meeting on October 8th, the Kitty Hawk Planning Board reviewed a number of different items. Initially, the Board members continued their consideration of a text amendment to correct the wording of a standard in the Sound Waters zoning district. The Board voted unanimously to recommend that Town Council clarify the standard by stating that "commercial recreational activities" are a conditional use in the district and adding a definition for "commercial recreational activities".

Next, the Planning Board discussed two different items related to parking that it requested to review after considering a development proposal last month. First, the Board members discussed whether or not changes are necessary to make the Town's provisions for shared parking more usable for local business owners. Planner Joe Heard noted that no business has chosen to use the shared parking provision since its adoption over 2 ½ years ago. After reviewing the situation, the Planning Board decided that the current standards are appropriate.

In a related issue, the Planning Board began a review of the Town's minimum parking standards. After reviewing the initial information that staff provided, the Board members requested information about parking standards from other communities on the Outer Banks. Vice-Chair Tina Tice commented that this information is important to ensure that businesses seeking to locate in Kitty Hawk do not end up elsewhere because of overly stringent parking requirements. The Board will continue its efforts to review and update the Town's parking standards over the next few months.

Finally, the Board members reviewed a brochure containing a variety of helpful information for businesses in Kitty Hawk. The Board approved the brochure and asked that it be distributed to all existing and new businesses.

Public Works - Large Item Pick-Up and Fall Chipping Service

Large Item Pick-Up: October 13

The Dare County Sanitation Department will be conducting a large household pick-up for residential customers only. No commercial business debris will be picked up. If large item pick-up falls on your regular garbage collection day, please do not block the garbage container. Materials must be at curbside no later than 6:00 a.m. on the date of collection. There will not be a second day pick-up.

On this special pick-up, the County **will** collect the following recyclable items: used auto tires, used motor oil (only in spill proof containers), auto radiators, scrap metals (rims, motor parts), appliances, furniture, and mattresses and box springs. Please remove doors from refrigerators.

The following items **will not** be collected: old clothes, shoes, cardboard, etc., stumps,

leaves, any yard-clearing debris, construction/demolition materials such as lumber, toilets, windows, doors, etc., any hazardous materials (oil based paint, pesticides, etc.) Water based paint can be picked up but must be dried out. All normal household garbage must be disposed of in your black can.

Fall Chipping Service: October 12, 2009

Public Works will start fall chipping service for residential property owners on October 12, 2009 until completed. Please do not place anything in the right of way until the weekend of October 10-11. Once the chipper has gone through your area, it **will not** return. Size limitations: no larger than 4 inches in diameter and 6 feet long. **No stumps, lumber, leaves, or yard clippings.** Contact Public Works with any questions, 252-261-1367.

Landfill Ban on Plastic Bottles Takes Effect October 1, 2009

A statewide ban on the disposal of plastic bottles into landfills will take effect on October 1, 2009. The Town of Kitty Hawk accepts plastic bottles for recycling - along with many other items – at Town's Recycling Center. For more information on Recycling Center locations and materials accepted, Contact the Public Works Department at 252-261-1367. You may also check the Town's web site, <http://townofkittyhawk.org>.

Remember the Town of Kitty Hawk is contracted with Outer Banks Hauling to offer curbside recycling. This service is a fee of \$8.95 per month. To sign up for this recycling service contact Outer Banks Hauling at 252-480-6699.

Kitty Hawk Fire Department News

During the month of September 2009, the Kitty Hawk Fire Department responded to 65 emergency calls for service. The breakdown is as follows:

Automatic Aid/Mutual Aid	2
Building Fire	1
Dumpster or other outside trash receptacle fire	1
Vehicle Accidents:	
Vehicle Accident with injuries	3
Property damage, no injury	4
Surf Rescue	7
Hazardous Condition	1
Arcing, shorted electrical equipment	1
EMS	39
Assist invalid	1
Good intent call	3
Dispatched and cancelled enroute (EMS call, Nags Head)	1
Unintentional transmission of alarm	1

Kitty Hawk Fire Department Association
29th Annual Turkey Shoot
Saturday, November 14, 2009
9 a.m.

Place: Promenade on the Driving Range
Cost: \$3.00 per shot
Prizes: Hams, Turkeys, Oysters, Cash 50/50, Rounds

Hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, and drinks will be served.

For more information, please contact Bob Bent, KHFD, 252-261-2666.

We hope to see you there!

Police Department Activities for September 2009

Calls for Service	717
Criminal Investigations Initiated	34
Traffic Accidents Investigated	23
Residence Checks	5
Business Checks	279
Foot Patrol	86
Request for Mutual Aid from other Departments	10
Citations Issued	90
Warnings Issued	86
Arrests	44

Kitty Hawk Woods Coastal Reserve Hosts October Nature Hikes

This fall, enjoy a naturalist-guided walk through Kitty Hawk Woods Coastal Reserve. Explore the flora and fauna of this prized maritime forest and catch a glimpse of some of the last remaining true wilderness in the Outer Banks. This moderate hike for adults and children ages seven and above will begin at the end of Ridge Road in Kitty Hawk. Closed-toed shoes and bug spray are recommended. Reservations are not required.

Nature hikes in Kitty Hawk Woods are currently scheduled for:

Date: Sundays, Oct. 11, 18 & 25 (more dates may be announced soon)

Time: 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

Location: Ridge Road Trailhead, Kitty Hawk Woods Coastal Reserve

From U.S. 158, turn onto West Kitty Hawk Road, and follow for approximately 2 ¾ miles. At the cemetery turn right onto Ridge Road and follow until road takes sharp right turn. Trailhead will be visible at turn. For site map see <http://www.nccoastalreserve.net/About-The-Reserve/Reserve-Sites/Kitty-Hawk-Woods/82.aspx>

For more information contact Northern Sites manager Bo Dame at 252-261-8891. For more information about the Kitty Hawk Woods Coastal Reserve, visit the Reserve's website at www.nccoastalreserve.net.

The Town of Nags Head to sponsor Flood Protection and Retrofitting Workshop on October 14, 2009

As part of the Town of Nags Head's continuing commitment in the Federal Emergency Management Agencies Community Rating System program, the Town of Nags Head will be sponsoring a workshop on Wednesday October 14, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss flood and hurricane related issues. This workshop will be in the Police Training Room of the Nags Head Town Hall Building at 5401 South Croatan Highway, Nags Head NC. In this workshop the Town of Nags Head Chief Building Inspector will discuss retrofitting techniques. Retrofitting techniques are structural changes you can make to your home to make it more flood resistant. Included as part of this workshop our Chief Building Inspector will present a slide show with a discussion outlining various types of damage and structural problems as well as patterns of damage observed in recent hurricanes affecting the Outer Banks. Our Chief Building Inspector, Ronnie Ballance has over 22 years experience as a building inspector on the Outer Banks. Should you have any questions regarding this workshop, please contact Angela Welsh, CRS Coordinator, or Ronnie Ballance, Chief Building Inspector, with the Town of Nags Head, at 252-441-7016

Buy a Brick – Monument to a Century of Flight

Because of continuing interest, the courtyard of the Monument to a Century of Flight will be opened once for installation of new engraved bricks where there are now blanks. Buy a brick for the Monument to a Century of Flight. Inscription is 2 lines, 18 characters or spaces per line. Price is \$100 per brick. Order forms are available at the Kitty Hawk Town Hall (261-3552) or contact Pat Eure, PO Box 1232, Kill Devil Hills, NC. Deadline is October 26, 2009.

Outer Banks Marathon Expected to Have 7,000 Runners and Walkers

The Outer Banks Marathon that will be held on November 8, 2009 expects to have a total of 7,000 runners and walkers participate in the four race events to be held on November 7th & 8th, 2009. The activities will be held between Kitty Hawk and Manteo during the weekend of the 6th. All proceeds of the events will benefit the Dare Education Foundation

and the Outer Banks Relief Foundation. For more information and registration you can log on to www.obxmarathon.org.

Outer Banks Marathon, Town of Kitty Hawk, and the Color Green

The Town of Kitty Hawk is honored to serve as the starting point for the Outer Banks Marathon. We need your help in demonstrating our Town pride. Each Town and/or area in Dare County has been designated with a marathon color. The Town of Kitty Hawk has been assigned the color green. Three different styles of "green" flags are available for residents and business owners of Kitty Hawk to purchase. The prices (include tax) and descriptions are below:

1. 28"x44" green banner with pole hem and tabs for \$16 each, 5' flag pole for \$16, Bracket for \$8
2. 12"x18" green garden flag with pole hem for \$10, Garden flag stand for \$10.95
3. 8' tall x 2' wide green feather banner for \$30, 10' telescoping banner pole \$25

We need a minimum of 12 of each style to place the order and anyone who would like to order a flag can do so by calling Sandy Hawley at Town Hall, 252-261-3552. **All orders due by October 16th.**

Opportunities to Participate

Town Council Meeting - Recessed

Tuesday, October 27, 2009 at 9 a.m.

Town Council Meeting

Monday, November 2, 2009 at 6 p.m.

Planning Board Meeting

Thursday, November 5, 2009 at 6 p.m.

(All Meetings to be held at Kitty Hawk Town Hall unless otherwise noted.)